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Election of the Executive Director of the secretariat of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat)

Note by the Secretary-General*

1. The General Assembly, in its resolution 56/206 of 21 December 2001, decided to transform the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements into the secretariat of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat). In the same resolution, the Assembly also decided that the UN-Habitat secretariat should be headed by an Executive Director at the level of Under-Secretary-General, to be elected by the Assembly for a term of four years upon nomination by the Secretary-General after consultation with Member States.

2. In the light of the above-mentioned provisions of General Assembly resolution 56/206, the Secretary-General nominates Ms. Anna Kajumulo Tibaijuka (United Republic of Tanzania) for election by the Assembly as Executive Director of the UN-Habitat secretariat, at the Under-Secretary-General level, for a term of office of four years beginning on 1 September 2002 and ending on 31 August 2006.

3. The Secretary-General trusts that the General Assembly will elect the nominee.

* In order for the General Assembly to take the required action, it will be necessary for the Assembly to decide to consider directly, in plenary meeting, agenda item 102.

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